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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

Gen. Wheaton's flying column completely routed the Filipino forces, capturing Pasig, Taguig and Pateroso; the American loss was slight; hundreds of the enemy were killed and about 350 surrendered. —— An American yacht reported in the Red Sea by a British cruiser, is believed to be the racing schooner Norna which left New York in 1896 on a voyage around the world. —— Washington authorities will not recognize the committee appointed by the Cuban military assembly. —— Knit goods manufacturers met in New York yesterday to consider advisability of forming a combination. —— The Sixth Immune regiment, (white) was mustered out at Savannah yesterday on their return from Porto Rico. —— Smallpox threatens to become epidemic in North Carolina; it is reported in twenty counties; the State Board of Health has appointed an inspector to visit infected districts; unless speedily checked compulsory vaccination will be ordered all over the State. —— New York markets: Money on call firm at 3½@5 per cent., last loan being at 3½ per cent.; cotton quiet, middling uplands 6 7-16c; flour dull and easy; wheat—spot and outports, No. 2 red 81½c; corn—spot steady, No. 2 41¾@43½c; oats—spot dull, No. 2 32½c; rosin firm; strained common to good $1.35; spirits turpentine steady at 47@47½c.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., March 15.

Temperature: 8 A.M., 49 deg.; 8 P.M., 61 deg.; maximum, 69 deg.; minimum, 48 deg.; mean, 58 deg.

Rainfall for the day, T; rainfall since 1st of the month up to date, .03.

The information signal was displayed at the Wilmington station yesterday afternoon. A storm central over Lake Huron was moving northnortheast. Southwest signals were displayed from Washington, N. C., to West Point, Va.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, March 15.—For North Carolina—Generally fair, fresh to brisk westerly winds.

Port Almanac---March 16.

Sun Rises	6.12 A. M.
Sun Sets	6.07 P. M.
Day's Length	11 H. 55 M.
High Water at Southport	11.46 P. M.
High Water, Wilmington	3.16 A. M.

Russia has now about 25,000 miles of railway, with 7,000 more under way.

Weyler announces himself opposed to Silvela. This speaks pretty well for Silvela.

Mr. McKinley is taking his outing. He is Hanna's guest and Hanna has the inning.

The bill of the Boston aldermen for $20,000 carriage hire last year gives ground for the suspicion that some of the aldermen are silent partners in one or more livery stables.

It is said that Japan is backing China against Italy. If this be so Japan doubtless has her eye on a chunk of Chinese soil which she will expect as an equivalent for the backing.

The war fever hasn't entirely cooled in this country. There are 20,000 applicants for second lieutenants in the reorganized army and about 19,900 of them will have to take something else.

It is said that Russia backed down when she ran up against England in China. But it may be incidentally remarked that it will not take Russia long to get her back up when the opportune time comes.

Ex-Gov. Hogg, of Texas, presented a claim from for $10,000 commissions for collecting $101,000 due by the Federal Government to the State. The State Senate regarded it as a hoggish business and sat down on it by a vote of 22 to 4.

The Chicago *Times-Herald* says, "on the authority of a member of the board," that the Court of Inquiry will report that the charges of General Miles as to bad beef are unfounded. That will be a confounded whitewash, but not altogether unexpected.

Miss Ruby Gardener, a Texas girl, was so taken with Mr. Bryan that she asked him if he wouldn't kiss her. He politely informed her that he "wasn't Hobson." But she didn't need any assurance of that. And Ruby forgot that Mr. Bryan is a married man.

John D. Rockfeller says he got rich by never investing in any scheme unless he was sure it would pay. He wouldn't bet on a horse race unless he had a dead sure thing. When a fellow gets to be worth two or three hundred millions it isn't necessary for him to take many chances.

LOCAL DOTS.

— Grace Epworth League will hold an important meeting to-night.

— There was a conference meeting at Grace M. E. Church last night.

— Mr. Thos. H. Wright has been appointed a notary public for New Hanover county by Gov. Russell.

— Dr. Calvin S. Blackwell, pastor of the First Baptist Church, conducted services in Brooklyn Baptist Church last night.

—License was issued yesterday for the marriage of Miss Eva C. Rodgers, of Wilmington, to Mr. John M. Jones, of Harnett township.

—The schooners *Fred. B. Balano*, Capt. Sawyer, and *B. I. Hazard*, Capt. Blatchford, arrived yesterday to Messrs. Geo. Harriss, Son & Co., from New York.

— Frank W. Davis, a negro from Myrtle Grove Sound, will be tried by Justice Fowler to-day for an assault with a deadly weapon upon another negro, also living at Myrtle Grove.

— "The Lancigs, Europe's Great Entertainers," have their headquarters at No. 121 South Front street, where they give daily entertainments in mind reading, hypnotism and palmistry.

— The tug *Imperial*, with the steamer *Driver's* flat in tow, came down yesterday from Fayetteville. The *Driver* has been repaired and will leave on her regular trip this evening at 7 o'clock.

— There were no sales of spirits turpentine yesterday on the local market even at 43½ to 44 cents, a decline of half-cent below Tuesday's quotations. The tone of the market yesterday was steady and the receipts were 31 casks.

—Policeman Jones, who attempted suicide at the City Hall Tuesday night and who was subsequently removed to the City Hospital, was unconscious most of yesterday, but the attending physicians think he is on the read to recovery.

— Depnty Sheriff W. W. King returned from Raleigh last night, where he had been to enter Mr. S. Rosenthal into the Eastern Hospital for the Insane, he having been declared a fit subject for that institution by a commission of inquiry a few days ago.

— The fainting of Policeman Woebse during the progress of the municipal court created rather a sensation yesterday. Mr. Woebse acts as hall officer during the day, and yesterday, upon turning to obey an order of the court, he fell suddenly to the floor in a swoon, and restoratives had to be administered before he gained consciousness. Vertigo was assigned as the cause.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Hibernians—Notice.
Primaries—Official vote.
Notice—Hard woods wanted.
S. W. Sanders—Geewhilikins!
Opera House—"The Highwayman."
S. H. MacRae—Notice in bankruptcy.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Palmistry—The Zancigs.
T. D. Love—N. C. hams.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Mr. F. W. Hargett, of Dicksonville, is registered at The Orton.

— Mr. Julius A. Boggs, of Perkins, S. C., is in the city on business.

— Sheriff Walter Alderman of Pender county, was a welcome visitor to the city yesterday.

— Mr. A. L. Koonce left yesterday for Houston, Texas. He expects to spend some time and may locate there permanently.

— Mr. J. H. Rehder has returned from his business trip to New York. Mrs. Rehder, who has been visiting friends in Onslow, is also at home again.

— Bruce Williams Esq., was in the city yesterday returning to Burgaw from Whiteville. Mrs. Williams will spend some time in Whiteville the guest of relatives.

THE CAROLINA NORTHERN RAILWAY.

Work Begun on Survey of Proposed Line from Lumberton to Marion, S. C.

Civil Engineers Joseph H. McRee and Henry Cumming returned yesterday from Lumberton, N. C., where they have been engaged in making a preliminary survey for the proposed new line of railway from Lumberton, to Marion, S. C., a bill allowing the construction of which was passed by the recent session of the General Assembly.

Mr. McRee has the general supervision of the survey and is being assisted by Mr. Cumming and an engineer from Greenville, S. C. Both Mr. McRee and Mr. Cumming will return to-day to Lumberton to resume work.

The proposed line is about thirty miles in length and traverses the most fertile sections of Robeson county in North Carolina and Marion in South Carolina and will no doubt prove a valuable piece of property to the owners when completed.

St. Patrick's Day.

To-morrow being St. Patrick's Day, the members of Hibernian Society will meet at Hibernian Hall at 8 o'clock to attend divine services at St. Thomas' Pro-Cathedral. The Society will subsequently hold their annual meeting in their hall. Recent deaths among the membership prevent the society from having as an elaborate St. Patrick's Day observance as has been their custom.

CAPT. W. E. CRAIGHILL OFF FOR WASHINGTON.

Officials of Wilmington's Commercial Organizations Commend Work Done During His Administration.

Capt. W. E. Craighill, for the past two years engineer in charge of the Wilmington District, United States Engineering Department, left last night for Washington, where he goes to become senior assistant engineer to the Commissioners of the District of Columbia. STAR readers will remember that on last Saturday Major E. W. Van Court Lucas succeeded Capt. Craighill as engineer in charge of this district.

The following splendid and highly merited testimonial to the worth and excellent work of Capt. Craighill during his administration as engineer in charge of the Wilmington District was presented to him yesterday, to-wit:

WILMINGTON, N. C., March 13, 1899.

Capt W. E. Craighill, Corps U. S. Engineers, Wilmington, N. C.:

DEAR SIR:—We the undersigned, representatives of commercial interests in the port and city of Wilmington, desire to convey to you, upon the eve of your departure from Wilmington, under orders, to a responsible position in Washington, a cordial expression of our high appreciation of your most acceptable and effective engineer work on our Cape Fear river and bar, and of your rapid and skilful construction of the defences at Fort Caswell, which should ever be associated with your honored name. We are proud of your record as a soldier and a gentleman and our best wishes go with you to your new post where, we trust, your superior qualifications may be duly recognized and rewarded.

Yours, faithfully,
WALKER TAYLOR,
First Vice President, Chamber of Commerce,
H. G. SMALLBONES,
President Produce Exchange.
W. A. JOHNSON,
President Merchants' Association,
JAMES SPRUNT,
President Champion Compress and Warehouse Co.,
W. G. ELLIOTT,
President Wilmington & Weldon R. R. Co.,
THOMAS EVANS,
Chairman Board of Commissioners of Navigation and Pilotage,
J. R. KENLY,
General Manager Atlantic Coast Line Co.

THE PLAN ABANDONED.

Kerchner Residence Will Not be Used As a Sanitarium—A Frame Building May be Erected Elsewhere.

The plan to convert the handsome residence of Col. F. W. Kerchner into a high class sanitarium has been abandoned, so a STAR reporter was told yesterday by a lady who was one of the most active promoters of the scheme.

It will be remembered that a few days ago it was given out that all opposition to the opening of the sanitarium, on the part of the neighbors, had been withdrawn and that it would be opened for the reception of patients probably within a week. Subsequently the statement that opposition had ceased was denied, the resident property owners in that vicinity signing a published card in which the declaration was made that the plan to open the sanitarium in their midst would be fought to the fullest extent of the law. The promoters of the proposed institution on the other hand claimed that they had the law on their side and would certainly carry out their plans.

The reporter was, however, informed yesterday that it is in deference to the wishes of the opposition that the purpose to open the sanitarium in the Kerchner residence is abandoned. The STAR'S informant also says that the gentleman who was to advance the bulk of the money to establish the sanitarium there is now willing to furnish the money to purchase a lot and erect a suitable frame building, if a satisfactory location can be furnished.

MURDEROUS ASSAULT.

Negro from Middle Sound Placed in City Hospital With Fractured Skull.

Constable Sheehan went down to Middle Sound yesterday morning and arrested Iredell Loftin, a negro youth about 16 years of age, for a murderous assault committed Sunday afternoon upon another negro boy about the same age, named Julius Berry. Loftin was brought to the city yesterday and committed to jail to await trial before Justice Fowler this morning at 11 o'clock.

Berry, the boy upon whom the assault was committed, was also brought to the city yesterday and placed in the City Hospital, where an examination by Dr. Bolles disclosed the fact that his skull was crushed in and that blood had clotted upon his brain. An operation was performed and the part of the skull found resting on the brain was removed.

Berry was struck with a stick and it is possible that he may die from his wound; if so, the Loftin boy will be held for murder.

Presented With a Cane.

Mr. E. F. Johnson was the recipient Tuesday night of a handsome gold-headed cane with his name engraved thereon, presented by a number of friends of Aldermen-elect Taylor and MacRae from the Third Ward, in token of their appreciation of valiant service rendered these gentlemen and their friends on Monday, the day of the primaries, at which they were nominated. The presentation was made at Mr. Johnson's home on Tuesday night in a suitably worded address, which was happily responded to by Mr. Johnson.

REVENUE CUTTER ALGONQUIN IN PORT.

Capt. H. D. Smith in Command—Miss Smith and Mr. H. S. Smith Accompany Him—Their Destination.

The revenue cutter *Algonquin*, Captain H. D. Smith, arrived in port yesterday afternoon and is, through the courtesy of Mr. James Sprunt, made fast at the latter's wharf at the foot of Ann street. A STAR reporter was one of the first to go aboard and greet Capt. Smith, who, by the way, has a host of friends here, having spent some time in this port while in command of the *Morrill*.

The *Algonquin* is bound up the coast from Havana, having gone to that port to convoy the hospital ship *Protector* from Philadelphia. They left Philadelphia on January 28th. The cutter will remain in this port probably a week. She will be repainted and otherwise overhauled.

STAR readers will remember that since Capt. Smith's last visit here he has seen some exciting service, having commanded the *Morrall* during the blockade of Cuban ports established by the United States Navy during the Spanish American war and sustained heavy fire from the Spaniards on several occasions.

Mr. H. S. Smith, son of Capt. Smith, who was here last spring, is aboard the *Algonquin* as is also Capt. Smith's daughter, Miss Josephine. She is accompanying her father on authority of a special permit granted by the secretary of the navy.

THE POISONING CASE.

Coroner's Jury Adjourned Yesterday Afternoon Until This Morning. Autopsy Held.

The coroner's jury in the case of the Chavers woman, who was found dead under rather peculiar circumstances Tuesday morning, adjourned at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon without returning a verdict, a decision as to the cause of death not having been arrived at.

An autopsy was held by Dr. McMillan assisted by Drs. Price and Zachary, yesterday morning but without an analysis of the contents of the stomach, they were unable to say as to whether death was caused by poisoning or some other means, and as chemical apparatus was not at hand for a proper analysis, the jury was adjourned until such analysis can be made.

Only two witnesses were examined yesterday—the Betencourt woman, upon whomsu spicion has rested, and a negro, who was in company with the deceased on Sunday and Monday before her death. His evidence was entirely immaterial.

The Betencourt woman was represented by H. McClammy, Esq., and testified that she had never made threats toward the deceased, nor had she ever seen the woman before the quarrel with her on Sunday before the death. Her evidence, however, is rebutted by an ante-mortem statement of the deceased to the effect that she had been poisoned by the Betencourt woman and that if she died, people would know the cause. This evidence is, however, weakened by the fact that the deceased before her death was intoxicated and in a maudlin state.

The jury will re-assemble this morning at 9.30 o'clock. In the meanwhile the Betencourt woman is held under a bond until an analysis of the stomach is made.

THE MUNICIPAL COURT DOCKET.

Two Offenders Sent to Criminal Court Yesterday—Others Follow To-day.

Monroe Cogdell, the negro arrested by Policeman Simmons late Tuesday afternoon for stealing a quantity of meat from the stalls of Messrs. J. F. Garrell & Co., and Hayes & McLaurin, at the New Market house, was bound over to the Criminal Court by Mayor Waddell yesterday at noon, he having been found guilty of the charge preferred. The evidence was conclusive, and though the defendant set up the plea that he was drunk and not responsible for his actions, the Mayor sent him to jail in default of $100 bond.

Two other cases for disorderly conduct and fighting were continued on account of witnesses.

Yesterday afternoon Policemen C. E. Wood and W. D. George arrested Robert James, colored, in Strauss' alley, for stealing a pair of pants from another negro. The pants stolen were being worn by the defendant at the time of his arrest, and were identified by the prosecutor. The case will be heard by Mayor Waddell to-day.

David Lique, colored, was also sent over to the Criminal Court yesterday from the municipal court for an assault with a deadly weapon upon another negro named Tyler.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

W. & W. Railroad—11 bales cotton, 3 casks spirits turpentine, 4 barrels tar.

W., C. & A. Railroad—58 bales cotton, 15 casks spirits turpentine, 53 barrels rosin, 84 barrels tar, 2 barrels crude turpentine.

A. & Y. Railroad—4 casks spirits turpentine, 134 barrels rosin, 13 barrels tar.

W. & N. Railroad—16 bales cotton, 9 casks spirits turpentine.

Steamer Driver's flat—10 barrels rosin, 112 barrels tar.

Steamer Seabright—13 barrels tar.

Total—Cotton, 85 bales; spirits turpentine, 31 casks; rosin, 177 barrels; tar, 296 barrels; crude turpentine, 2 barrels.

PARKER AND MONTGOMERY.

Nominated for Aldermen from Fifth Ward at Second Primary Yesterday—Vote in the Second Ward.

As a result of the second primary held yesterday, Messrs. F. A. Montgomery and C. C. Parker were nominated for Aldermen in the Fifth Ward and Messrs. Owen F. Love and J. G. L. Gieschen were selected as members of the City Executive Committee from the Second Ward, the first named by majorities of about one hundred, and the committeemen from the Second Ward by majorities of about twenty-five of the total vote cast.

The official vote as declared by the City Executive Committee at a meeting held at the City Hall last night is as follows:

SECOND WARD.

Executive Committee—Owen F. Love 90; J. G. L. Gieschen 89; W. J. Woodward 73; W. E. Worth 67; Wm. H. Sprunt 2; M. W. Jacobi 2, and James C. Munds 2.

Committeemen elected — Messrs. Love and Gieschen.

Number of ballots cast 161.

FIFTH WARD.

Aldermen—F. A. Montgomery, 319; C. C. Parker, 312; Jno. C. Walton, 217; Jno. J. Bell, 212.

Nominees—Messrs. Montgomery and Parker.

Total votes cast, 534.

In this ward two votes for Messrs. Walton and Bell, which had been illegally cast, were thrown out by the committee. The contest during the day was a lively one and supporters of both tickets used every effort for the election of their candidates.

The registration books were open at all the precincts again yesterday, but as on Monday, the registration was very light. Several negroes had their names enrolled on the books at different precincts yesterday.

LIST OF LETTERS.

Remaining Uncalled For in the Wilmington Postoffice March 15th, 1899.

WOMEN'S LIST.

Bessie Bertha. Anne Council, Harriet Council. Mary Cahill. Bertie Fitzpatrick, C D Fulcher, Evalina Farmer. Esther Gafford. Anna Herring, Alois Huske, Dollie Hansley, Emma Hill, Maria Herren, Sersia Haring. G W Jones. Mrs Islara. Gertie Lee, W R Lowis. Addie Anna Mathes, Carrie Meming, Josephine Moore, Mary McKethan, Sue McMeller. H R Lister. Addie Perry. Lura Reynolds, Julia Robinson, Virginia Riley. Annie Smith, Effie Sabiston, Lizzie Speres, Mary Saulter, Mary Smith. Maggie E Walker.

MEN'S LIST.

W E Anderson, Jr., S A Allen, M D. H H Bobbs, H L Brown, J C Bordeaux, Jno W Brittingham, Capt M E Bloodgood, S R Bennett, Thos Blunt. C R Curtis (2), G T Chadwick, George Clark, Cedar Grove Baptist Church, Mr Charles, W T Canady, W F Cox. Floyd Dees. Dr A E Frantz, C C Fairell, E L Foy, W B Farrior, Willie Farington. Clifford Groom, Carney Gelespie, James Grady. Alonzo Howard, J W Hobgood, J R Hardee, K B Hardee, Nathaniel Hanseley. Henry Johnson, Robert P Jennings. Henry D Murphy, John C McDowell, Loyd McCullough, Moses A Moore. Robt Nihon, W D Palmer, Olive Branch Baptist Church, Joseph Penny. Geo Singleterry, J M Smith, J W Sloan. Dr & Mrs David Taylor, Eddie Thompson, Freince Tooller, Henry M Tyler, Wm Tucker W I Taylor. S W Williams, Emmett Williams, Jno Weston, Oliver Weston.

RETURNED FROM DEAD LETTER OFFICE.

Jane Davis, V T Farlo, L Oleo Guy, Owen Surns.

Persons calling for above letters will please say advertised. If not called for in fifteen days they will be sent to the dead letter office.

WM. H. CHADBOURN, Postmaster.

MAY ADJOURN FRIDAY.

Work of Eastern Circuit Criminal Court Progressing Satisfactorily.

During yesterday's session of the Eastern District Criminal Court the following cases, all against negroes, were disposed of, to-wit:

Joe Belden, larceny, three years in penitentiary; Martha Smith, assault and battery with deadly weapon, judgment suspended on payment of costs; Tilly Taylor, keeping disorderly house, not guilty; Bill Oldham, larceny, twelve months in penitentiary; Monroe Coghill, larceny, five years in penitentiary; David Lique, assault and battery with deadly weapon, six months in penitentiary.

As previously announced the trial of Ed Haywood, colored, for his life, on the charge of burglary, will be called at 9.30 o'clock this morning, and Brook Empie, Esq., will be counsel for the defendant. It is not expected that the trial will take all of even to-day's session.

It is expected that the work of the court will be completed to-morrow, so that a session on Saturday will not be necessary.

Solicitor Rodolph Duffy returned from Pender court yesterday and is now directing the prosecution for the State is his usual vigorous manner.

Married in Illinois Yesterday.

Yesterday at the home of the brides' father, Rev. P. Slagle, at Clayton, Ill. Mr. D. H. Harnly, editor of the *Eastern Carolina Truck and Fruit Grower's Journal*, was united in marriage to Miss Nellie Slagle. Mr. and Mrs. Harnly are expected to arrive here on the 23rd inst. and will be at home at the residence of Mrs. Mary Powell on Grace street.

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BRITISH GUARDS BAND TO ARRIVE TO-DAY.

Will be Greeted by Tremendous Audiences. "Finnigan's Ball" To-morrow Night. "The Highwayman" Monday.

The peerless British Guards Band will arrive in this city from Charleston this afternoon at 1 o'clock and promptly at 2.30 o'clock their matinee performance at the Opera House will begin, the doors being open at 2.30 o'clock. The evening concert, as is well known, will commence at 8.15 o'clock.

There is every assurance that tremendous audiences will greet the band at both performances. Large crowds are expected from various neighboring towns on all incoming trains to-day, the majority of them to attend the matinee. The advance sale of seats for the concert at night has been very large, so much so in fact that very few desirable seats are available.

No definite arrangements have been made for a formal reception of the Britishers such as has been given them at Atlanta and other places, but it is expected that a big crowd will meet the Southern train and accord them a cordial informal welcome.

Ollie Mack, the humorous comedian, and Cale Murray as the central figures, will play an engagement at the Opera House to-morrow night. Theatre-goers will have an opportunity of seeing what is said to be one of the most successful and laughable of all farce comedies, "Finnigan's Ball." The cast embraces the names of representative people who have each been engaged for the sole purpose of having a farce-comedy organization that defies adverse criticism. Special scenery, electrical and mechanical effects are carried.

Regular prices will prevail and seats can be obtained at Gerken's.

The Opera House management has succeeded in booking an engagement with the Broadway Theatre Opera Company, New York, headed by Miss Camille D'Arville, to present the immensely successful comic opera, "The Highwayman" at the Opera House Monday night.

The organization presenting the new opera here is the permanent stock company of the Broadway Theatre, New York, and is spoken of as most capable and brilliant, including the names of some of the brightest lights in the lyric world.

Reserve seat tickets will be $1.50 and $1, obtainable at Gerken's on and after to-morrow.

THE CRUISER HORNET.

To be Off Dry Dock Saturday—Will Have a Twenty-Knot Speed.

The cruiser *Hornet* which has been undergoing repairs, repainting, etc., in Skinner's ship yard, will probably be off the dry dock Saturday. It is thought that the thorough scraping given her hull and the general overhauling of the machinery will give her a speed of 20 knots an hour instead of 16 knots which was her previous rating. It is probable that Commander Morton and a company of Wilmington and Southport Division Naval Reserves will take the *Hornet* on a brief trip out to sea within a few weeks. The present overhauling being given the vessel is also in anticipation of the regular Summer cruise of the North Carolina Naval Reserves, the time of which is not yet announced.

Members of the Wilmington Division Naval Reserves who did service during the late war are soon to receive an extra month's pay, in accordance with the act of Congress, making such provision for all Naval Reserves in the service.

C. F. & Y. V. Bonds.

The Baltimore *Sun* says:

The rate of distribution on the bonds of the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley Railroad has been fixed and the money to pay off these bonds has been deposited with the Mercantile Trust and Deposit Company. Payments will be made to holders on the presentation of their certificates. The payments will be made on the basis of $1,043.95 for each $1,000 "A" bond; $727.25 for each $1,000 "B" bond, and $661.33 for each $1,000 "C" bond. These payments will close the history of the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley Railroad, and the investors in its bonds after having their money tied up by a receivership and protracted litigation, will be paid.

The Smallpox Patient.

Mr. Louis Warrock, the smallpox patient, who is quarantined at the home of his uncle, Mr. W. S. Warrock, on South Second street, is successfully passing through all stages of the disease, and the attending physician thinks he will recover in a short time. The quarantine is being rigidly maintained, day and night, and no one is allowed to pass in or out of the house.

No further cases have been discovered, by the health authorities, though the utmost diligence is exercised in ferreting out all reports and looking after suspected cases.

Prominent Onslow Citizen Dead.

Undertaker Walter E. Yopp yesterday shipped by the Newbern railroad a coffin to Edgecomb, Onslow county, for the burial of Mr. D. J. Batson, an aged and highly respected citizen residing near that place, whose death occurred early yesterday morning. The deceased leaves four children and a host of relatives prominently connected in Onslow county. The funeral will be held this morning at 11 o'clock and the interment will be made in the family burying ground near his residence.

THE FORE AND FOSTER CO.

To Make Material Improvements in Their Factory—Officers Elected at Annual Meeting Held Tuesday.

Decided improvements are to be made in the equipment of the Fore & Foster Co's. planing mill and sash door and blind factory in the near future. The company held their annual meeting recently and one of the principal features of the business transacted was an order adopted instructing the Board of Directors to enlarge the factory by the erection of an annex 30 x 100 feet and purchase two new machines—one improved chain mortiser and one double-headed tenenter. These improvements are to be made without delay. The annual meeting was held on Tuesday. Stock was represented in person by Col. F. W. Foster, Mr. H. A. De Cover and Mr. V. W. Wharton and other stock by Frank McNeill, Esq., as proxy. The following officers were elected.

President and General Manager—Col. F. W. Foster.

Secretary and Treasurer—Mr. H. A. De Cover.

Auditor—Mr. Henry Moore.

Directors—Col. F. W. Foster and Mr. H. A. De Cover.

It will be of interest to note also in this connection that Mr. George Zeigler, who has in the past served so acceptably as foreman of the works, has been reappointed to that responsible position, and Mr. J. W. Barnes, Jr., continues with the company as collector.

The STAR is glad to note the continued and deserved prosperity of the Fore & Foster Company, which was abundantly evidenced by the annual reports of officials as submitted to the annual meeting, and as further evidenced by the material improvements soon to be made.

In another column the company advertises for hard woods, seasoned or green, which they desire to buy in large or small quantities.

THE LAST LECTURE.

The last lecture of the combined Star and Lyceum Courses will be on Wednesday evening, March 22d, by Mr. F. R. Robeson, on Manila and the Philippines. Mr. Robeson departed for Manila September 7th and returned December 3d with a series of superb illustrations which will be given with a steriopticon. Mr. Robeson has thus had unique opportunities for studying what we all want to know, and whatever our views on expansion, we would be glad of the opportunity of hearing from one who has seen Dewey, Otis, Aguinaldo and Montijo, and who can give us an accurate information both in the pictures and descriptions of the work of our army and navy, and the scenes of the great naval battle and the country which is so much a subject of discussion at present.

PEYTON H. HOGE, President.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

HARD WOODS WANTED.

Parties having on hand HARD WOODS, seasoned or green, either in small or large quantities—Hickory, Oak, Maple, Walnut, Poplar, Birch, Beech, Curly Maple, Holly, Bay, etc.—will please address the undersigned, stating quantity and quality of timber and price asked.

THE FORE & FOSTER CO.,
ma 16 1t WILMINGTON, N. C.

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1 doz. Eggs	12 1-2
1-2 lb. Chipped Beef	12 1-2
1 " Table Butter	30
2 " Pkg. Prep. Buckwheat	15
1 Pk Yams	15
	$7 1-2

All for 69c.

AND ONE CAKE BROOK'S CRYSTAL SOAP

FREE

Balance of this week or as long as the goods hold out.

S. W. SANDERS,
ma 16 tf AT THE UNLUCKY CORNER.

HIBERNIANS.

You are hereby notified to appear at your Hall Friday morning, March 17th, St. Patrick's Day, at 8.30 o'clock, for the purpose of attending divine services at St. Thomas' Pro-Cathedral. On return to the Hall the annual business meeting will take place.

By order of the President,
ma 16 1t WM. FLANAGAN, Secretary.

OPERA HOUSE.

MONDAY NIGHT, MARCH 20.
Event of the Season.
Broadway Theatre Opera Co.,
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THE QUEEN OF COMIC OPERA,
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The entire original Cast, Scenery, Costumes, Stage Effects, etc., as presented 500 nights in New York.
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Everything kept in a First-class Grocery Store.

WRITE FOR QUOTATIONS.

WILLIAMS BROS.,
Wholesale Grocers and Commission Merchants.
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OFFICIAL VOTE.

RESULT OF SECOND PRIMARIES HELD IN SECOND AND FIFTH WARDS, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15TH, 1899, AS DECLARED BY THE CITY DEMOCRATIC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Second Ward.

MEMBERS EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Owen F. Love	90
J. G. L. Gieschen	89
W. J. Woodward	73
W. E. Worth	67
W. H. Sprunt	2
M. W. Jacobi	2
James C. Munds	2
Number of votes cast	161

Messrs. Owen F. Love and J. G. L. Gieschen declared elected.

Fifth Ward.

ALDERMEN.

F. A. Montgomery	319
C. C. Parker	312
Jno. C. Walton	217
Jno. J. Bell	212
Number of ballots cast	534

Messrs. F. A. Montgomery and C. C. Parker declared nominees of the party.

This March 15th, 1899.

(Signed) THOS. W. STRANGE, Chairman.
W. A. WRIGHT, Secretary. ma 16 1t

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED States for the Eastern District of North Carolina. In the matter of A. A. Williams and Minor T. Hinson, trading as Williams & Hinson, bankrupts.—In bankruptcy. To the Honorable Thos. R. Purnell, Judge of the District Court of the United States for the Eastern District of North Carolina: The above named bankrupts, individually and as partners, respectfully represent that a composition of $4,132.52, in addition to the amount of money now in the hands of W. E. Thomas, Trustee, $4,515.45, upon all unsecured debts not entitled to a priority, in satisfaction of their debts, has been proposed by said bankrupts to their creditors as provided by the Acts of Congress relating to bankruptcy; and they verily believe that the said composition will be accepted by a majority in numbers and in value of their creditors whose claims are allowed. Wherefore they pray that a meeting of their creditors may be called to act upon said proposal for a composition according to the provisions of said Acts and the rules of the Court.

Done at Rockingham, March 13th, 1899.

A. A. WILLIAMS,
M. T. HINSON,
Bankrupts.

Order of notice thereon. Eastern District of North Carolina, Fourth Division, in Bankruptcy, ss. On this 13th day of March, A. D. 1899, on reading the foregoing petition it is ordered by the Court, that a meeting of creditors of Williams & Hinson, bankrupts, be had on the 25th day of March, A. D. 1899, before said Court, at Raleigh, in said district, at 12 o'clock noon in the Federal Court building, to act upon a proposal for a composition as set out in above petition.

Witness my hand at Fayetteville, in said district, on the 14th day of March, A. D. 1899.

SAMUEL H. MACRAE,
mar 16 1t Referee in Bankruptcy.

German Kainit.

1500 bags Pure Kainit.
1000 bags Cotton Seed Meal.
1200 bags 13 Per Cent Acid.
1100 bags Tobacco Fertilizer.
1900 bags Cotton Fertilizer.
1300 bags Strawberry Fertilizer
300 bags Muriate Potash.
340 bags Sulphate Potash.
150 bags Nitrate Soda.
450 bags B. B. B. Fertilizer.
175 bags Bone Meal.
150 bags Dirty Salt.

W. B. COOPER,
Wholesale Grocer,
ma 5 tf Wilmington, N. C

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OPERA HOUSE ONE NIGHT.
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British Guard Band
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This is the best known Band in the world, and the finest in Europe.

Lieutenant Dan Godfrey, its director, is known the world over for his musical genius. All the players are experts, selected from the English army and navy.

Seats at Gerken's $1.00 each.
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Removal.

J. E. COWELL has removed his Barber Shop to Second street, between Market and Princess, corner Purcell alley. ma 10 tf

PUBLISHER'S ANNOUNCEMENT.

THE MORNING STAR, the oldest daily newspaper in North Carolina, is published daily except Monday, $5.00 year, $2.50 for six months, $1.35 for three months, 50 cents for one month to mail subscribers. Delivered to city subscribers at the rate of 45 cents per month for any period from one month to one year.

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The Morning Star.

BY WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

THURSDAY MORNING, MARCH 16.

THE WEALTH OF NATIONS.

The following dispatch showing the wealth of the United States as compared with other countries comes from Washington to the New York *Sun*:

"The statistical table of the wealth of nations is a familiar one among the treasury officials of various countries. According to the estimates of Mulhall, published in 1892, the wealth of nations was as follows for the chief countries, for lands, farm utensils, bullion, cattle, houses, furniture, railroads, shipping, merchandise and sundries:

United States	$65,000,000,000
United Kingdom	47,000,000,000
France	42,500,000,000
Germany	32,000,000,000
Russia	25,000,000,000
Austria	19,000,000,000
Italy	14,500,000,000
Spain	12,500,000,000
Australia	9,500,000,000
Belgium	5,000,000,000
Holland	4,900,000,000
Canada	4,900,000,000

"Great Britain had heretofore been regarded as the wealthiest country in the world, owning half the ships, more than a quarter of the railroad properties and having a capitalized wealth at home of $50,000,000,000. And, in respect to the average wealth per capita, England has been entitled to that distinction, the figures being as follows:

United Kingdom	$1,200
Denmark	1,150
France	1,120
Holland	1,080
United States	1,050

"The Federal census of 1900 is to be a record-breaking one, according to all present indications. By the Federal census of 1890 the aggregate material wealth of the United States, compared with the wealth of Great Britain, was less in ships and merchandise, but exceeded in many other items. The real estate of this country was then valued at $39,000,000,000, the live stock at $2,000,000,000, the railroads at $8,000,000,000, manufactories and their contents at $3,000,000,000, mines and quarries $1,000,000,000, and gold and silver coin $1,200,000,000.

"If the present rate of increase is maintained, the total accumulated wealth of the United States will present, by the census of 1900, not far from $110,000,000,000, or more than double that of Great Britain. In 1860, the wealth of the United States was estimated at $20,000,000,000; in 1870, at $25,000,000,000; in 1880, at $45,000,000,000, and in 1890, as stated, at $65,000,000,000. The enormous appreciation of American products since then, the vast expansion of trade, the addition of new territory, all observant persons agree, will put the United States far ahead of any other country in respect to material wealth.

This is a remarkable growth in wealth for this country and it is also suggestive. It is true that we have added immensely to the territory we originally owned, and it is also true that in this new territory is now found our richest domain as far as natural products are concerned, but our increase has not been due so much to the acquisition of new territory as it has been to the energy and the genius that developed this new territory and brought it within the pale of civilization and industry. As an illustration of this the writer of this article very well remembers the time when there was not a mile of iron rail West of the Mississippi and when all that vast region between Missouri and the Rocky Mountains was a wilderness, where the Indian roamed and only the white fur trader or hunter ventured.

The big immigration of 1846 to '50 brought thousands of families to the States along the Upper Mississippi, to seek homes and this immigration has continued to come in greater or lesser volume ever since. Thus millions of people have come to our unpopulated territory and they and their descendants have, with the natives from the older States, made flourishing States where the wilderness was. The building of the Pacific railway, crossing the continent and linking our Atlantic and Pacific States, removed the obstacle to the settlement of the remote territory, which soon became the home of millions of people, and thus the development went on with rapid strides and we were becoming richer daily and scarcely noticed it.

Of course wealth increases very rapidly when the valuations of land bound up from a nominal price per acre to five, ten or twenty dollars per acre, and when cities spring up and the land becomes valued at more per foot than the farming lands are per acre. We have had this advantage over the other nations of the world. We took their surplus population to build up our waste places and people the unpopulated sections, to make farms and build towns and cities, while they took from one part their domain to build up and develop their acquisitions. If they colonized they had to draw from their own population to furnish the colonies, and thus what they gained in one way they lost in another. We colonized, so to speak, our own territory and found the material for it in the over-crowded countries of the old world. Our increase of population in a little over a century from 3,000,000 to 70,000,000 or more is proof of the drain that we have made on those countries. Taking this view of it we are not entitled to any special credit for outstripping the older countries in becoming wealthy for we could not have well had it otherwise if we would.

But this is not the only reason of our rapidly increasing wealth, for the Americans more than any other people in the world have the genius for creating wealth. They can get more out of the earth and more out of the water and the air than any other people under the sun and get it quicker. While other people plod along and do things in their old fashioned way, and think they are doing remarkably well, American genius, which has not the patience to plod, invents something which will do in a day many times as much as the old fashion fellow would do when doing his best, and do it better. The American makes steam, electricity, air do his work for him and harnesses them to machinery which is the marvel of the world. And thus the productive capacity of the American becomes multiplied many times and the crude materials that nature supplies are rapidly converted into such finished forms as the world needs and their value is multiplied many times, and all this adds to the volume of our national wealth. There is no country in the world which has within the past half century so equipped itself with machinery for the rapid conversion of raw materials into other and more valuable forms than this, and the result is that this is rapidly becoming the great workshop of the world. And yet with all this wonderful progress there are people who are not content but must reach across the oceans to appropriate territory which will make us poorer instead of richer.

THE ANTI-TRUST LAW.

As the public generally is interested in the anti-trust law passed by the Legislature, we herewith present the full text as we find it published in the Raleigh *News and Observer:*

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. Any corporation organized under the laws of this or any other State or country for transacting or conducting any kind of business in this State or any partnership or individual or other association of persons whatsoever who shall create, enter into, become a member of or a party to any pool, trust, agreement, combination, confederation or understanding with any other corporation, partnership, individual or other persons to regulate or fix the price of any article of merchandise or commodity, or shall enter into, become a member of or a party to any pool, agreement, contract, combination or confederation to fix or limit the amount or quantity of any article, commodity or merchandise to be manufactured, mined, produced or sold in this State shall be deemed and adjudged guilty of a conspiracy to defraud, and be subject to penalties as provided in this act.

"Sec. 2. It shall not be lawful for any corporation to issue or to own trust certificates, or for any corporation, agent, officer or employe or the directors or stockholders of any corporation to enter into any combination, contract or agreement with any person or persons, corporation or corporations, or with any stockholder or director thereof, the purpose and effect of which combination, contract or agreement shall be to place the management or contract of such a combination or the manufactured product thereof in the hands of any trustee or trustees with the intent to limit or fix the price or lessen the production and sale of any article of commerce, use or consumption, or to prevent, restrict or diminish the manufacture or output of any such article, provided that nothing herein contained shall affect the present investments of charitable or educational institutions.

"Sec. 3. Any corporation or company, individual, firm or association violating any of the provisions of this act shall forfeit $100 for each day it shall continue to do so, to be recovered by an action in the name of the State at the relation of the Solicitor; moneys thus recovered to go into the revenue of the county in which the cause accrues.

"Sec. 4. Any contract or agreement in violation of any provision of the preceding sections of this act shall be absolutely void.

"Sec. 5. Any corporation created or organized by or under the laws of this State, which shall violate any provision of the preceding sections of this act shall thereby forfeit its corporate rights and franchises, and its corporate existence shall upon proper proof being made in any court of competent jurisdiction in this State be by the court declared forfeited, void and of non-effect, and it shall be the duty of the clerk of said court to certify the decree thereof to the Secretary of State, who shall take notice and be governed thereby as to the corporate papers of said corporation.

"Sec. 6. This act shall not apply to agricultural products while in the hands of the producer, nor to the lumber interests of the State; neither shall it prevent cotton or woollen mills from regulating the amount of their output or selling the same through an agent.

"Sec. 7. In any indictment or information for any offence named in this act it shall be sufficient to state the purpose and effects of the trust or combination, and that the accused was a member of, acted with, or in pursuance of it, without giving his name or description, or how or where it was created.

"Sec. 8. In proceedings under this act it shall be sufficient to prove that a trust or combination, as herein determined, exists, and that the defendant belonged to it or acted for or had connection with it, without providing all members belonging to it or producing or proving any articles of agreement or any written instrument on which it may have been based or that it was evidenced by any written instrument at all, and a preponderance of evidence shall be sufficient to authorize a verdict and judgment for the State.

"Sec. 9. In all suits instituted under this act to forfeit charters or corporations where a judgment or forfeiture is obtained and the cause is not appealed to the Supreme Court, the Superior Court shall allow the Solicitor or prosecuting attorney prosecuting the suit a fee of not less than $100 nor more than $500, to be paid out of the assets of said corporation, provided that in case such cause is appealed to the Supreme Court and the judgment of forfeiture affirmed the Attorney General shall be entitled to one half of the fee so allowed by the Superior Court for his services in prosecuting said case in the appellate court.

"Sec. 10. That this act shall not apply to any wholesale or retail merchant or jobber doing business in this State who is not a party to or interested in a trust, nor shall it apply to any fishing, trucking or canning industry in this State; nor to any persons, firms or corporations engaged therein. But no person or firm shall be deemed to be the agent of a trust because of the sale of trust manufactured goods or products when the said person or firm buys said goods or products and sells the same as his or its own property.

"Sec. 11. That all laws in conflict with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

"Sec. 12. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification."

SOURING ON REED.

There are a good many Republicans, especially in the West, who have soured on Hon. Thomas Brackell Reed, since he has so stubbornly refused to permit himself to be whipped in to approving and supporting the administration policies, growing out of the war with Spain. A good many of them would like to see him disciplined, and taken down a notch or two, to make him more pliant and ruly, and it is said they are planning to beat him for the Speakership of the next House of Representatives. It is further said that the administration is co-operating in this, and will throw its influence for Mr. Sherman, of New York, or Mr. Henderson, of Iowa, both of whom are aspirants for that position.

Reed hasn't made any pretence of concealing his antipathy to much of the administration programme, nor his contempt for some of the statesmen who are most active and conspicuous in supporting it. The fact is Tom Reed has an idea that he is a bigger man than any of them, and that he could run the Presidency a good deal better than Mr. McKinley, without calling on Mark Hanna for any advice or assistance. That's Tom Reed's opinion, whether others agree with him or not, and that is why he occasionally indulges in sarcastic flings that show the trend of his thoughts.

But they will have a lively time when they begin to spar with Tom, who is a heavy-weight, quite spry, and a famous hard-hitter. They may knock him out, but if they do he will give them trouble when he is down. Speaking of Tom's capacity to worry folks, the Washington correspondent of the Philadelphia *Times* says:

"If McKinley makes Tom Reed a disturber of the peace, he will regret it, for Reed can make more trouble on the floor of the House than any aggregation of ten other Representatives. And the more disturbance there may be, the happier Reed will be during the political melee."

With a war in the Philippines, and a racket with Tom Beed simultaneously the adminstration would have its hands full sure enough. It had, therefore, better close up the Philippine business before it tackles the heavy weight from Maine.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Kinston *Free Press*: The New River Inn Hotel at the mouth of New River, Onslow county, was blown by last Tuesday's storm. The hotel was owned by men from the State of New York, who came there every summer to hunt and fish. It could accommodate about fifty people and was valued at $4,000.

— Greensboro *Record*: A solid car load of chickens passed through on a through freight over ther Southern last evening, its destination being Washington. The car was provided with eight "decks," or floors, each being about a foot or more above the lower one one, thus giving the fowls ample room to stand up and move around.

— Lumberton *Robesonian*: Anson Floyd, a negro who lives near Rochester, was placed in jail Monday night charged with raping a 16 year old girl Donnie Carmichael, Sunday evening. —— Dr. J. P. Brown told us Monday that there were fifty new tobacco barns within two miles square of Union City. He says the increased acreage in tobacco in that section will be full a hundred per cent.

— Raleigh *News and Observer*: Tom Smith the negro who killed a young white man named Cawthorn and cut the throat of a white man named Winfrey at Selma last Christmas, and who was brought here and placed in Wake jail to prevent his being lynched, was Tuesday taken from jail here and carried to Smithfield county. Smith will be arraigned for murder at the present term of Johnston court, which began Monday.

— Wilksboro *Chronicle*: The "Kentucky feud" up in Union township, occupied a considerable portion of the court's time. Bowlins on the one side and Wyatts on the other seems to be the leaders of the feud. This conflict has been going on for many years, and about two years ago Jorday Wyatt lost his life in one of the encounters. Since then it seems that the women have taken the lead, and have had some very spirited and enlivened pitched battles with rocks. According to testimony before the court, it would take a census expert with plenty of assistants to make an estimate of the number of rocks thrown by the contestants within the last two years. And we suppose the good work is still going on.

CASTORIA.
Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher. The Kind You Have Always Bought

CURRENT COMMENT.

—Men may think as they please about wealth and poverty, but if human hearts could be unveiled there would be misery enough disclosed in the millionaire hovels of the rich and whole vaults of unalloyed happiness in the nickelaire palaces as the poor.—*Louisville Dispatch, Dem.*

— Imperialism has made England's greatest year for revenue receipts her greatest deficit year also, and has made the Government so desperate that it is talking of resort to the "rotten financial expedient" of suspending payments to the sinking fund. But we resorted to that expedient six years ago, and Mr. Gage talks about it as cheerfully as if it were surplus revenue.—*New York Yorld, Dem.*

— Cecil Rhodes has been talking to the German Emperor, and, while there seems to be no mystery about his purpose, as it was frankly to interest the Kaiser in Mr. Rhodes' great scheme for a "Cape to Cairo" railway, there is no telling what his persuasive tongue may have accomplished, perhaps all unwittingly to its owner. William is a man of vivid fancy, and if the South African wizard has stirred his imagination too strongly, he may insist in interesting himself in Africa more deeply than suits the plans of his fellow potentates; in which case much trouble may arise.—*Philadelphia Ledger, Ind.*

TWINKLINGS.

— She—"Hamlet is a play for all time." He—"Yes, it will never give up the ghost."—*Punch.*

— Miss Beautigirl—"Doesn't a man's second love usually differ from his first love?" Aunt Broadhead—"Yes; she generally has more money."—*Puck.*

— Rather Lucky: Visitor—"What do you think of your new little sister, Edith?" Edith (aged five)—"I fink it was a dood fing mamma was here to take care of her when she came."

— "Dont you think, Mrs. Spitely, that this hat is a little too gay for a matronly woman like me?" "Not at all, my dear. You know that you're years younger than you look."—*Tit-Bits.*

—"Not a First-Row Man: She—"The poet Campbell couldn't have been bald-headed, anyway." He—"Why?" She—"He wrote, Distance lends enchantment to the view,' didn't he?"

Singleton—"Have you ever experienced the supreme joy that comes from finding in your pocket a dollar that you didnt know you had?" Benedict—"No; but my wife has upon several occasions."

— "Colonel, you swear positively that your regiment never received a pound of embalmed beef in Cuba. How is it possible for you to be absolutely certain?" "Because my regiment never got farther than Tampa, sir."—*Detroit Free Press.*

— There was a disagreement, and the mother undertook to straighten things out. "Why can't you play nicely?" she asked. "'Cause he wants to boss things," answered the younger. "He wants me to play I'm President of the United States." "Well, why don't you?" "'Cause it's my turn to be Dewey."—*Chicago Evening Post.*

— Lese Majeste—It was the shank of the evening in Berlin. "Good evening, Herr Police Officer," said the citizen. "Come with me," was the policeman's answer. "Dennerwetter! Was ist los?" asked the astonished citizen. "You that it is evening assumed have, when the Emperor not dined has yet already."—*Indianapolis Journal.*

DON QUIXOTE'S BIRTHPLACE

The Village of Argamasilla, a Picturesque and Primitive Spot.

Before us the village of Argamasilla, "birthplace of Don Quixote" the guidebook says unblushingly, revealed more and more distinctly, its white houses nestled under the trees. The purple Sierras, dreamy sentinels of the plains, stood on the extreme border of the horizon. Above it all wonderfully shaped clouds made against the azure background an exquisite mosaic of translucent tones.

We entered the pueblo with crackling whip. Not a soul was to be seen until the solitary slouchy figure of the innkeeper emerged from under the mat covering the door of the posada—"Al Parador del Carmen, Casa Gregorio." Gregorio, hardly able to repress his astonishment at the unusual sight of a guest, looked at the horses and said nothing. But the driver kindly ventured an introduction. "He is for you, Gregorio." "Yes," I added, "and for some time, I hope, Don Gregorio, if I may have a bed in your house." A "don" well placed never fails to please a Spaniard, even if he be that most independent and despotic of beings, an innkeeper of low order. "Of course, senor, and why not?" and upon these slight preliminaries I followed Gregorio under the straw curtain.

My first look at the Parador del Carmen did my Quixote self good, for it was the most picturesque place imaginable. Here at last I had plunged from civilization and nineteenth century to the condition of ancient days and apparently reached bottom. "Apparently" is said advisedly, for later on I was to see infinitely more primitive scenes. However, this first sensation at passing from the glare to that smelly purplish interior, comfortless, but plentiful of dirt, was intense.—August F. Jaccaci in Scribner's.

Not Courting.

"Do you court an investigation?" inquired the interviewer.

"Well," said Senator Sorghum slowly, "I don't exactly like the phrase. I'm willin to meet an investigation if circumstances make it necessary. But I ain't makin love to it."—Washington Star.

They Do It Sometimes.

The Spinster Man—I shall never marry any one.

The Bachelor Maid—But perhaps some one will marry you.—Detroit Free Press.

The outfit of an oyster tongs man's canoe consists of a pair of rakes, a pair of tongs, a pair of nippers, a cutting board, several culling hammers, a couple of half bushel baskets and an iron half bushel.

The triangular bridge at Croyland, Lincolnshire, is the oldest bridge in England and one of the greatest curiosities.

Trust those who have tried.

I SUFFERED from catarrh of the worst kind and never hoped for cure, but Ely's Cream Balm seems to do even that.—Oscar Ostrom, 45 Warren Ave., Chicago, Ill.

I SUFFERED from catarrh; it got so bad I could not work; I used Ely's Cream Balm and am entirely well.—A. C. Clarke, 341 Shawmut Ave., Boston, Mass.

A 10c. trial size or the 50c. size of Ely's Cream Balm will be mailed. Kept by druggists. Ely Brothers, 56 Warren St., N. Y.

ADVANCE IN SURGERY

HOW IT DIFFERS NOW FROM WHAT IT WAS FIFTY YEARS AGO.

The Horror of the Knife Up to the Discovery of Anæsthesia—Danger as Well as Pain In the Operation—First Use of Ether by Dr. William T. G. Morton.

One of the most interesting papers read at the celebration in Boston of the fiftieth anniversary of the first administration of ether in a surgical operation, says the Philadelphia Record, was that by Dr. John Ashhurst of this city on "Surgery Before the Days of Anæsthetics." It vividly recalls the horrors of those days when the surgeon's knife was an object of far greater terror than now and inflicted untold tortures upon the conscious patient.

"A study of the condition of surgery before the days of anæsthesia," said Dr. Ashhurst, "reveals on the one hand a picture of heroic boldness and masterly self control on the part of the surgeon, and on the other a ghastly panorama, sometimes of stoic fortitude and endurance, sometimes of abject terror and humiliation—but always of agonizing wretchedness and pain—on the part of the unhappy victim who required the surgeon's aid.

"The 'pitilessness' which Celcus urged as an essential trait in the operative surgeon was, before the days of anæsthesia, a feature in the surgeon's career which impressed very strongly the public generally as well as those immediately connected with the operation. It is interesting to recall that Sir James Simpson of Edinburgh, shortly after beginning his professional studies, was so affected by 'seeing the terrible agony of a poor Highland woman under amputation of the breast' that he resolved to abandon a medical career and seek other occupation. Happily his intention was reconsidered, and he returned to his studies, asking himself, 'Can anything be done to make operations less painful?' and, as every one knows, in less than 20 years he became a high priest of anæsthesia and the introducer into surgical and obstetrical practice of ether's great rival, chloroform.

"No braver or more gallant gentleman ever lived than 'Admiral Viscount Nelson, and after his right elbow had been shattered by a French bullet in the assault at Tenerife he manifested the utmost courage, refusing to be taken to the nearest ship lest the sight of his injury should alarm the wife of "a fellow officer whose own fate was uncertain, and when his own ship was reached he climbed up its side without assistance, saying: 'Tell the surgeon to make haste and get his instruments. I know I must lose my right arm, so the sooner it is off the better.' 'He underwent the amputation,' we learn from a private letter of one of his midshipmen, 'with the same firmness and courage that have always marked his character.' And yet so painfully was he affected by the coldness of the operator's knife that when next going into action at the famous battle of the Nile he gave standing orders to his surgeons that hot water should always be kept in readiness during an engagement, so that if another operation should be required he might at least have the poor comfort of being cut with warm instruments.

"On the side of the surgeon we find throughout the ages a constant effort to diminish the terrors of operations and a continuous reprobation of the distressful, not to say cruel, modes of practice adopted by preceding generations. And yet the time is not very far distant from ours when they lopped off a limb by striking it violently with a heavy knife; that time when they knew neither how to stop nor how to prevent hemorrhage but by burning the part whence the blood jetted with boiling oil or the redhot iron; that time when surgeons armed themselves at every moment with pinchers, with burning cauteries and with instruments the representations even of which cause terror.

"But the presence of pain was not the only evil dreaded by our predecessors in attempting important operations. The great risk of fatal accident from some involuntary movement of the patient was constantly present to the mind of the conscientious surgeon. 'How often,' says Dr. Valentine Mott, 'when operating in some deep, dark wound, along the course of some great vein, with thin walls alternately distended and flaccid with the vital current—how often have I dreaded that some unfortunate struggle of the patient would deviate the knife a little from its proper course and that I, who fain would be the deliverer, should involuntarily become the executioner, seeing my patient perish in my hands by the most appalling form of death! Had he been insensible I should have felt no alarm.'

"Coming down to the days more immediately preceding the date of the great discovery, we find that opium and alcohol were the only agents which continued to be regarded as of practical value in diminishing the pain of operations, though the attendant disadvantages of their employment were of course recognized. Meanwhile facts were accumulating the significance of which we now plainly recognize, but which excited no attention.

"Sir Humphry Davy, in the early days of the nineteenth century, suggested the use of nitrous oxide gas as an anæsthetic in minor operations, and it was the custom at some of our medical schools—at the University of Pennsylvania, for one—for students to breathe 'laughing gas,' as it was then called, for diversion. But yet—and yet—surgeons went on, in every country, cutting and burning, and patients went on writhing and screaming, until on the 16th day of October, in the year 1846, in the Massachusetts General hospital, Dr. John C. Warren painlessly removed a tumor from a man who had previously been etherized by Dr. William T. G. Morton, and surgical anæsthesia became the priceless heritage of the civilized world."

Unpleasant Choice.

A traveler through southern swamps learns many things from his guide—caution among the rest.

One man, noticing that his guide tapped with his foot each hollow log and stump in a certain pathway before stepping on or past it, inquired the reason.

"Looking out for snakes," was the reply.

"What kind of snakes?" asked the traveler, with an unpleasant sensation along his spine.

"Moccasins," returned the guide.

"What makes you walk on the logs or so close to them, then?" demanded the uneasy traveler. "Why don't we walk off there, where the ground is solid?"

"Well, you can try it," said the guide, launching a vigerous kick at a stump and then mounting it. "You moughtn't sink below yer waist, and then ag'in you mought."—Youth's Companion.

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"Eating heartily when very tired, late dinners, eating irregularly, insufficient mastication or too much animal food, especially in the spring or during the hot weather, is a frequent cause of indigestion, causing headaches by reflex action."

"Out of Order."

The familiar cry of "Order, order!" was once ruled "out of order" by Mr. Speaker Peel. On April 16, 1885, Mr. Arthur O'Connor was speaking on a motion relating to the postoffice, and as members generally were not paying attention to his remarks his colleague, Mr. T. M. Healy, endeavored to recall the wandering thoughts of the house by persistent cries of "Order, order!"

"The honorable and learned member should not be so demonstrative in his remarks," said the speaker.

"Am I to understand that it is out of order to cry 'Order!' in this house?" asked Mr. Healy.

"The tone and the way in which the honorable member expresses himself are out of order," answered the speaker.

"In that case"—said Mr. Healy, but the speaker pulled him up sharply with the reproof: "The honorable member is not in order in addressing the chair in that way. If the honorable member continues, I shall have to take notice of his interruption."—Nineteenth Century.

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2 ℔ Jute		@	6
Standard		@	7
WESTERN SMOKED—			
Hams ℔ ℔	12	@	13½
Sides ℔ ℔		@	8
Shoulders ℔ ℔	6½@	@	8½
DRY SALTED—			
Sides ℔ ℔	5½@	@	5¾
Shoulders ℔ ℔	6	@	6½
BARRELS—Spirits Turpentine—			
Second-hand, each		@	1 10
New New York, each		@	1 20
New City, each		@	1 20
BEESWAX ℔ ℔		@	22
BRICKS—			
Wilmington ℔ M	5 00	@	7 00
Northern	9 00	@	14 00
BUTTER—			
North Carolina ℔ ℔	12	@	13
Northern	20	@	23
CORN MEAL—			
Per bushel, in sacks	51	@	53
Virginia Meal	52	@	55
COTTON TIES—℔ bundle	75	@	80
CANDLES—℔ ℔—			
Sperm	18	@	25
Adamantine	8	@	11
CHEESE—℔ ℔—			
Northern Factory	10½@	@	11¼
Dairy Cream		@	11
State		@	10½
COFFEE—℔ ℔—			
Laguyra	12	@	16
Rio	8	@	10
DOMESTICS—			
Sheeting, 4-4, ℔ yard		@	5½
Yarns, ℔ bunch of 5 ℔s		@	70
EGGS—℔ dozen	14	@	16
FISH—			
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ barrel	22 00	@	30 00
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ half-bbl.	11 00	@	15 00
Mackerel, No. 2, ℔ barrel	16 00	@	18 00
Mackerel, No. 2 ℔ half-bbl.	8 00	@	9 00
Mackerel, No. 3, ℔ barrel	13 00	@	14 00
Mullets, ℔ barrel	3 50	@	4 00
Mullets, ℔ pork barrel	5 00	@	8 00
N. C. Roe Herring, ℔ keg	3 00	@	3 25
Dry Cod, ℔ ℔	5	@	10
" Extra	4 25	@	4 50
FLOUR—℔ ℔—			
Low grade		@	3 50
Choice		@	3 75
Straight	4 00	@	4 25
First Patent	4 50	@	5 00
GLUE—℔ ℔	7½@	@	8½
GRAIN—℔ bushel—			
Corn, from store, bgs—White	53	@	55
Car-load, in bgs—White		@	50
Oats, from store	40	@	45
Oats, Rust Proof		@	45
Cow Peas	55	@	65
HIDES—℔ ℔—			
Green salted		@	6½
Dry flint		@	10
Dry salt		@	9
HAY ℔ 100 ℔s			
Clover Hay	50	@	75
Rice Straw	40	@	45
Eastern		@	75
Western		@	75
North River		@	75
HOOP IRON, ℔ ℔	1¾@	@	1¾
LARD, ℔ ℔—			
Northern	6	@	7
North Carolina	6	@	10½
LIME, ℔ barrel	1 15	@	1 25
LUMBER (city sawed) ℔ M ft—			
Ship Stuff, resawed	18 00	@	20 00
Rough edge Plank	15 00	@	16 00
West India cargoes, according to quality	13 00	@	18 00
Dressed Flooring, seasoned	18 00	@	22 00
Scantling and Board, com'n	14 00	@	15 00
Common mill	5 00	@	6 50
Fair mill	6 50	@	8 00
Prime mill	8 50	@	10 00
Extra mill	10 00	@	10 50
MOLASSES ℔ gallon—			
Barbadoes, in hogshead		@	25
Barbadoes, in barrels		@	28
Porto Rico, in hogsheads		@	27
Porto Rico, in barrels		@	28
Sugar House, in hogsheads	12	@	14
Sugar House, in barrels	14	@	15
Syrup, in barrels	15	@	25
NAILS, ℔ keg, Cut, 60d basis	1 60	@	1 65
PORK, ℔ barrel—			
City Mess		@	11 00
Rump		@	10 50
Prime		@	10 00
ROPE, ℔ ℔	10	@	12
SALT, ℔ sack, Alum		@	1 10
Liverpool	75	@	80
American	70	@	75
On 125 ℔ Sacks		@	67½
SHINGLES, 7-inch, per M	5 00	@	6 50
Common	1 60	@	2 25
Cypress Sage	3 50	@	3 90
SUGAR, ℔ ℔—Standard Gran'd	5⅝@	@	5½
Standard A		@	5¼
White Extra C		@	5¼
Extra C, Golden		@	5
C, Yellow		@	4¾
SOAP, ℔ ℔—Northern	3½@	@	4
STAVES, ℔ M—W. O. barrel	6 00	@	14 00
R. O. Hogshead		@	10 00
TIMBER, ℔ M feet—Shipping		@	9 00
Mill, Palmo		@	7 00
Mill, Fair		@	6 50
Common Mill		@	5 00
Inferior to ordinary		@	4 00
SHINGLES, N.C. Cypress sawed ℔ M 6x24 heart	7 50	@	8 50
" Sap	5 00	@	6 00
5x24 Heart	4 50	@	5 00
" Sap	4 00	@	4 50
6x24 "	6 00	@	6 50
" Sap	5 00	@	5 50
TALLOW, ℔ ℔		@	6
WHISKEY, ℔ gallon, Northern	1 00	@	2 00
North Carolina	1 00	@	2 00
WOOL, per ℔—Unwashed	10	@	15

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

STAR OFFICE, March 15.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.—Market steady at 44 cts per gallon for machine-made casks and 43½ cents per gallon for country casks.

ROSIN—Market firm at 95 cents per bbl for strained and $1.00 for good strained.

TAR—Market firm at $1.00 per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE.—Market firm at $1.35 per barrel for hard, $2.40 for Dip and $2.40 for Virgin.

Quotations same day last year.—Spirits turpentine, nothing doing; rosin, steady, $1.25, $1.30; tar steady, $1.00; crude turpentine quiet at $1.50, $2.00, $2.00.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits Turpentine	31
Rosin	177
Tar	226
Crude Turpentine	2

Receipts same day last year.—36 casks spirits turpentine, 533 bbls rosin, 254 bbls tar, 4 bbls crude turpentine.

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Ordinary	5	9-16	cts ℔ lb
Good Ordinary	4	15-16	"
Low Middling	5	9-16	" "
Middling	6		" "
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LOYALTY.

Two friends I have, long loved and trusted
long,
One, turning ever toward life's fairer side
And fearing lest it slip his grasp, would hide
From his soul's inward eye all sight of wrong,
Bringing the world's uncomprehending praise
As friendship's highest tribute, sees in shame
Of mine or willful blunder naught to claim
Deep felt repentance, but in countless ways
Finds pardon for me ever and again
Because I am no worse than other men.

The second, looking up toward heaven's light,
Yet works in stifling fog and close drawn
fray,
Mid want, doubt, selfish greed, where men
must pray
As, groping, they seek out lost gleams of right.
Scanning my life with love's clear eyes, he sees
My flimsy talents, old mistakes, low ends
And when I wear earth's laurels but commends
With stern "Thou canst do better things than
these."
Oh, keen soul reader, judge me of these two.
Which, think you, is the false friend, which
the true?
—Ruth Huntington Sessions in Century.

HOLIDAYS IN MANILA.

At One Time There Were Over Forty In Every Year.

Manila loves holidays. At one time there were over 40 in each year. The number has been sadly diminished, though there are still 18 left, I understand. Each pueblo has its saint, and on that saint's day the inhabitants give themselves over, as they do on the great holidays of the church, to music, fireworks, cockfighting, processions, etc.

Almost all these processions took place at night, and the effect was most picturesque. There would be a line of marchers, men, women and children, walking in single file on each side of the street, every one with a lighted candle in his hand. Often there would be thousands of people walking in these processions, and all the while it was moving tens of thousands of rockets and bombs would be fired. These rockets and bombs are homemade. The rockets consist only of a joint of bamboo filled with powder, exploding with great noise, but with little light. The bombs are simply a handful of powder tightly wrapped with hemp. They cost a mere trifle, but make a great noise, and no fiesta is complete without plenty of them.

The most curious procession is participated in only by natives and the poorer mestizos. It takes place, if I remember rightly, during holy week and is a high solemnity. Every one walking in the procession is robed in his grave clothes. The garment is a long, loose gray robe with a hood, and it comes to the ground. The effect is very strange, and as the people go they repeat continually, "Santa Maria, Madre de Dios, ora pro nobis!" It may seem strange that grave clothes are provided before they are needed, but in Manila they are considered a prime necessity, and every native owns those clothes, even if he is bare of all other.—Wallace Cumming in Century.

HEBE'S GRATITUDE.

HOW SHE REMEMBERED THE MAN WHO CURED HER FOOT.

The Story Told by a Veterinary Surgeon Who Early In His Career Had One of Barnum's Elephants For a Patient—A Trying Ordeal.

I was a full fledged M. D. once and never should have thought of adopting my present profession if it hadn't been for a queer accident which occurred when I first hung out my shingle.

I had a rich neighbor, a man I was bound to propitiate, and the very first call I had, after days of waiting for patients who didn't come, was to his barn to see what was the matter with his sick mare. I cured the mare and took in my shingle, for from that day to this I've never prescribed for a human being. I had won a reputation as a veterinary surgeon and had to stick to it. But that's neither here nor there, only if you think animals can't show gratitude and affection perhaps you'll change your mind.

When I had been in practice a year or two, I sent for my brother Dick. He was a wonderful chap with all kinds of animals, and I thought perhaps I could work out of my part of it and leave that for him. I never did, for Dick's a cotton broker in New York now, and I should have to begin all over again to make a first rate physician. But that's what I meant to be then.

The next day after Dick came I got a telegram from P. T. Barnum. I'd been down there once or twice to his own stable, and he had a good deal of faith in me. The dispatch was:

"Hebe has hurt her foot. Come at once."

Hebe was a favorite elephant—a splendid creature, and worth a small fortune.

Well, I confess I hesitated. I distrusted my own ability and dreaded the result. But Dick was determined to go, and go we did. When we got out of the cars, Barnum himself was there with a splendid pair of matched grays. He eyed me very dubiously.

"I'd forgotten you were such a little fellow," he said in a discouraged tone. "I'm afraid you can't help her."

His distrust put me on my mettle.

"Mr. Barnum," said I, getting into the carriage, "if it comes to a hand to hand fight between Hebe and me I don't believe an extra foot or two of height would help me any."

He laughed outright, and began telling how the elephant was hurt. She had stepped on a small bit of iron and it had penetrated the tender part of the foot. She was in intense agony and almost wild with pain.

Long before we reached the inclosure in which she was we could hear her piteous trumpeting, and when we entered we found her on three legs, swinging the hurt foot slowly backward and forward and uttering long cries of anguish. Such dumb misery in her looks—poor thing!

Even Dick quailed now.

"You can never get near her," he whispered. "She'll kill you, sure."

Her keeper divined what he said.

"Don't you be afraid, sir," he called out to me. "Hebe's got sense."

I took my instruments from Mr. Barnum.

"I like your pluck, my boy," he said heartily, but I own that I felt rather queer and shaky as I went up to the huge beast.

The men employed about the show came around us curiously, but at a respectful and eminently safe distance, as I bent down to examine the foot.

While I was doing so as gently as I could I felt, to my horror, a light touch on my hair. It was as light as a woman's, but as I turned and saw the great trunk behind me it had an awful suggestiveness.

"She's only curling your hair," sang out the keeper. "Don't mind her."

"I shall have to cut, and cut deep," said I by way of reply.

He said a few words in some lingo, which were evidently intended for the elephant's understanding only. Then he shouted with the utmost coolness:

"Cut away!"

The man's faith inspired me. There he stood, quite unprotected, directly in front of the great creature, and quietly jabbered away to her as if this were an everyday occurrence.

Well, I made one gash with the knife. I felt the grasp on my hair tighten perceptibly, yet not ungently. Cold drops of perspiration came out all over me.

"Shall I cut again?" I managed to call out.

"Cut away," came again the encouraging response.

This stroke did the work. The abscess was lanced. We sprayed out the foot, packed it with oakum and bound it up. The relief must have been immediate, for the grasp on my hair relaxed, the elephant drew a long, almost human, sigh, and—well, I don't know what happened next, for I fainted dead away. Dick must have finished the business and picked up me and my tools. I was as limp as a rag.

It must have been a year and a half after this happened that I was called to western Massachusetts to see some fancy horses. Barnum's circus happened to be there. You may be sure that I called to inquire for my distinguished patient.

"Hebe's well and hearty, sir," the keeper answered me. "Come in and see her. She'll be glad to see you."

"Nonsense," said I, though I confess I had a keen curiosity to see if she would know me as I stepped into the tent.

There she stood, the beauty, as well as ever. For a moment she looked at me indifferently, then steadily and with interest. She next reached out her trunk and laid it caressingly first on my shoulder and then on my hair—how vividly her touch brought back to my mind the cold shivers I endured at my introduction to her!—and then she slowly lifted up her foot, now whole and healthy, and showed it to me. That's the sober truth.—Chicago News.

SHE HAD HER WAY.

And Mrs. Belmont Was Just as Patriotic as the Other Ladies.

Patriotic women as well as patriotic men sometimes make mistakes. During the civil war women of the entire country, divided as they were, sought to do all in their power for the relief and comfort of the boys at the front.

While the New York sanitary fair was progressing some of the ladies connected with it called upon Mrs. August Belmont and asked her to hold a concert among her friends for the benefit of the fair. She at once consented and began active arrangements for the event. She found that her house would accommodate 300 guests and issued tickets at $5 each for that number.

No sooner had the committee that first called learned of this than it made another call. Mrs. Belmont was informed that under no circumstances must she charge more than $2 per ticket. It would keep the people away and defeat the purpose of the concert. Mrs. Belmont's reply was that her house was small for such an entertainment, that her friends would as leave pay $5, or even $10, as $2 and that her purpose was to make more for the fair, but the committee was insistent and stuck to the $2 proposition. Mrs. Belmont was the daughter of a heroic sire, and her blood was up at this stage of the proceedings. She early informed the ladies that she felt perfectly competent to manage her own affairs in her own house and served notice that they were discharged from all further duty in connection with her concert.

The brilliant rooms were crowded by the then Four Hundred, the finest musical talent in the city gave the concert, and Mrs. Belmont sent $1,500 to the fair.—Detroit Free Press.

NAVAL MYSTERIES.

War Vessels of the United States That Have Disappeared.

Curious disappearances and accidents to our warships characterized the early history of our navy, and in spite of all the efforts of the navy department to explain the cause of the disasters many of them are as absolute mysteries today as when they happened.

When the government built ten new gunboats to prosecute the war against Tripoli in 1805, they were sent out as soon as they were finished and before they were named. Each one was given a number and dispatched to the seat of the war. No. 7 sailed from New York July 20, 1805, under the command of Lieutenant Ogelvie, and after she cleared Sandy Hook light she was never heard from again. She went down with all on board before she had even been named.

A most extraordinary accident was that which happened to the corvet Monongahela at Santa Cruz in 1867.

While at anchor in the harbor a tremendous tidal wave lifted her upon its crest and carried her clean over the town of Frederichstadt and back again without injuring the town or the boat to any great extent. The receding wave landed her on the beach instead of in the deep water of the harbor, and it cost our government $100,000 to float her again. Fully as strange was the fate of the sloop-of-war Waterce. She was anchored in the harbor of Arica, Peru, in 1868, when a huge tidal wave swept inland and flooded the whole city. The wave carried the sloop several miles inland and finally landed her in the midst of a tropical forest. It was impossible to release her from such a peculiar position, and the government sold her for a nominal sum. The purchasers turned the vessel into a hotel, and the remains of that once formidable war vessel loom up in the tropical forest today as a monument to the power of tidal waves.

Among other cases of disaster which are attributed to the violence of the waves or weather there is none more interesting than that of the strange fate of the Saratoga. When she sailed from Philadelphia in October, 1780, under the command of Captain James Young, there was no finer or handsomer war vessel afloat. That she was as formidable as she was attractive was soon demonstrated in a practical way. After cruising around a short time she captured three British vessels in succession, and then, with her prizes, she started to return to Philadelphia, but off the Delaware capes she encountered a British ship of the line. As the Saratoga carried only 18 guns and the Intrepid was a 74 gun ship, Captain Young considered it safer to run away. The enemy did not chase her far, but returned to protect and recapture the British prizes. The Saratoga sailed away in the very teeth of a storm, and she was never heard from again. Did she founder at sea in the gale, or was she blown up by her own magazines?—Leslie's Weekly.

A Dish of Brussels Sprouts.

A woman traveling in Belgium describes a dish of Brussels sprouts which were cooked with chestnuts. She found that the sprouts are boiled in salted water until about half cooked, when they are taken out, drained and put into a saucepan with a little butter and seasoning. Meantime the chestnuts, those of the large variety being used, have been blanched, partially cooked and cut into small cubes. They are added to the sprouts, and both are simmered slowly until tender and are cooked about an hour after being put together. A dozen large chestnuts may go with about a quart of sprouts. It may be added that the dish is particularly good when served with roast veal or mutton.

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Train 38—Leaves Hamlet 8:20 A. M. Arrives Laurinburg 8:40 A. M., Maxton 9:05 A. M., Pembroke 9:31 A. M., Lumberton 9:53 A. M., Wilmington 12:05 noon.

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6 50 p m	Ar.....Wilmington.....Lv	8 50 a m
3 55 p m	Lv.....Fayetteville.....Ar	11 59 a m
3 59 p m	Ar.....Fayetteville.....Lv	12 30 p m
2 30 p m	Lv.....Sanford.....Lv	1 43 p m
12 42 p m	Lv.....Climax.....Lv	3 44 p m
12 13 p m	Lv.....Greensboro.....Ar	4 15 p m
11 55 a m	Ar.....Greensboro.....Lv	4 35 p m
11 07 a m	Lv.....Stokesdale.....Lv	5 12 p m
10 36 a m	Lv.....Walnut Cove.....Lv	5 44 p m
10 09 a m	Lv.....Rural Hall.....Lv	6 13 p m
8 45 a m	Lv.....Mt. Airy.....Ar	7 35 p m

South Bound Daily No. 62.	BENNETTSVILLE.	North Bound Daily No. 63.
8 00 a m	Lv.....Bennettsville.....Ar	7 15 p m
9 07 a m	Lv.....Maxton.....Lv	6 12 p m
9 35 a m	Lv.....Red Springs.....Lv	5 35 p m
10 20 a m	Lv.....Hope Mills.....Lv	4 52 p m
10 40 a m	Ar.....Fayetteville.....Lv	4 33 p m

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5 30 p m	Ar.....Ramseur.....Lv	6 40 a m
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2 40 p m	Lv.....Greensboro.....Ar	9 17 a m
2 30 p m	Ar.....Greensboro.....Lv	9 35 a m
1 15 p m	Lv.....Stokesdale.....Lv	11 07 a m
12 30 p m	Lv.....Madison.....Ar	11 55 a m

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DAILY 7.00 P. M. — No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8.34 P. M., Warsaw 8.48 P. M., Goldsboro 9.45 P. M., Wilson 10.38 P. M., †Tarboro 7.04 A. M., Rocky Mount 11.35 P. M. Weldon 12.59 A. M., †Norfolk 10.25 A. M. Petersburg 2.35 A. M., Richmond 3.23 A. M., Washington 7.01 A. M., Baltimore 8.23 A. M., Philadelphia 10.35 A. M. New York 1.08 P. M., Boston 9.00 P. M.

DAILY except Sunday 2.25 P. M. — No. 50—Passenger—Due Jacksonville 4.13 P. M., Newbern 5.40 P. M.

SOUTH BOUND.

DAILY 3.45 P. M. — No. 55—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 4.56 P. M., Chadbourn 5.38 P. M., Marion 8.34 P. M., Florence 7.15 P. M., Sumter 8.57 P. M., Columbia 10.20 P. M., Denmark 6.19 A. M., Augusta 7.55 A. M., Macon 11.15 A. M., Atlanta 12.35 P. M. Charleston 10.50 P. M., Savannah 1.50 A. M., Jacksonville 7.30 A. M., St. Augustine 10.30 A. M., Tampa 6.05 P. M.

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON—FROM THE NORTH.

DAILY 5.50 P. M. — No. 49—Passenger—Leave Boston †1.00 P. M., New York *9.00 P. M., Philadelphia 12.05 A. M., Baltimore 2.50 A. M. Washington 4.30 A. M., Richmond 9.05 A. M., Petersburg 10.00 A. M., Norfolk 9.00 A. M., Weldon 11.50 A. M., Tarboro 12.21 P. M., Rocky Mount 1.00 P. M., Wilson 2.40 P. M., Goldsboro 3.21 P. M., Warsaw 4.12 P. M., Magnolia 4.35 P. M.

DAILY 9.40 A. M. — No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 12 night, New York 9.30 A. M., Philadelphia 12.00 P. M., Baltimore 2.25 P. M., Washington 5.46 P. M., Richmond 7.30 P. M., Petersburg 8.12 P. M., †Norfolk 2.20 P. M., Weldon 9.43 P. M., †Tarboro 6.00 P. M., Rocky Mount 5.40 A. M. Leave Wilson 6.30 A. M., Goldsboro 7.01 A. M., Warsaw 7.56 A. M., Magnolia 8.00 A. M.

DAILY except Sunday 12.15 P. M. — No. 51—Passenger—Leave Newbern 9.00 A. M., Jacksonville 10.35 A. M.

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY 1.25 P. M. — No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 8.10 A. M., Sanford 3.07 P. M., Jacksonville 8.00 P. M., Savannah 1.45 A. M., Charleston 6.33 A. M., Atlanta 7.50 A. M., Macon 9.00 A. M., Augusta 2.30 P. M., Denmark 4.17 P. M. Columbia 6.50 A. M., Sumter 8.15 P. M., Florence 10.00 A. M., Marion 10.40 A M., Chadbourn 11.44 A. M., Lake Waccamaw 12.13 A. M.

†Daily except Sunday.

Trains on the Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 3.55 P. M., Halifax 4.15 P. M.; arrive Scotland Neck 5.08 P. M., Greenville 6.37 P. M., Kinston 7.55 P. M. Returning, leaves Kinston 7.50 A. M., Greenville 8.59 A. M.; arriving Halifax at 11.18 A. m., Weldon 11.33 A. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8.30 A. M. and 2.30 P. M.; arrive Parmele 9.10 A. M. and 4.00 P. M.; returning leaves Parmele 9.35 A. M. and 6.30 P. M.; arrive Washington 11.00 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 5.30 P. M.; Sunday, 4.15 P. M.; arrives Plymouth 7.40 P. M. and 6.10 P. M. Returning, leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday, 7.50 A. M. and Sunday 9.00 A. M.; arrive Tarboro 10.05 A. M. and 11.00 A. M.

Train on Midland N. C. Branch leaves Goldsboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 7.05 A. M.; arrives Smithfield, N. C., 8.10 A. M. Returning leaves Smithfield 9.00 A. M.; arrives Goldsboro 10.35 A. M.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 9.30 A. M., 3.40 P. M.; arrives Nashville 10.10 A. M., 4.08 P. M., Spring Hope 10.40 A. M., 4.55 P. M. Returning, leaves Spring Hope 11.00 A. M., 4.55 P. M., Nashville 11.29 A. M.; 5.35 P. M., arrives at Rocky Mount 11.45 A. M. 6.00 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leave Warsaw for Clinton, daily except Sunday, at 11.40 A. M. and 4.15 P. M. Returning, leave Clinton at 7.00 A. M. and 3.00 P. M.

Florence Railroad leave Pee Dee 10.12 A. M., arrive Latta 10.32 A. M., Dillon 10.44 A. M., Rowland 11.01 A. M. Returning, leaves Rowland 6.00 P. M.; arrives Dillon 6.20 P. M., Latta 6.35 P. M., Pee Dee 7.00 P. M., daily.

Trains on Conway Branch leave Hub at 2.00 P. M., Chadbourn 5.35 P. M.; arrive Conway 7.40 P. M.; leave Conway 8.30 A. M., Chadbourn 11.20 A. M.; arrive Hub 12.25 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Central of South Carolina Railroad leave Sumter 5.13 P. M., Manning 5.41 P. M.; arrive Lane's 6.17 P. M.; leave Lane

The Morning Star.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

THURSDAY MORNING, MARCH 16.

AN AMERICAN YACHT IN THE RED SEA.

The Old Racing Schooner Norna—Sailed On a Voyage Around the World in October, 1896.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, March 15.—United States Consul Cunningham at Aden, Arabia, reports to the State Department that the commander of H M. S. Brisko had picked up but lost again a small American yacht or schooner, after towing her about two hundred to hundred and fifty miles in the western part of the Red sea. There was afterward rough weather and it was believed to be possible that the yacht had gone aground somewhere, as she was much overdue. Her name was unknown, but the British officer said she had on board a man from New York named Weaver. The consul, on February 22, received a cablegram from one Percival, at Colombo, Ceylon, asking for news of the yacht Norna.

NEW YORK, March 15.—The American yacht referred to in the dispatch boat from Washington as having been picked up and lost again in the western part of the Red sea by the British cruiser Brisko is undoubtedly the old racing schooner Norna, designed by A. Cary Smith in 1888, and at one time known as one of the "wettest" yachts in the New York yacht squadron.

To Cruise Around the World.

In October, 1896, the Norna was fitted out for a cruise around the world, her passengers having the intention of "writing up foreign countries and photographing picturesque scenes."

R. A. Morris, a Nova Scotian, was given charge of the Norna, she hoisted the flag of the Atlantic Yacht Club, and sailed on her long voyage on November 2, 1896. The party on board the Norna, in addition to Mr. N. J. Weaver, a New Englander, who engineered the scheme, consisted of Mrs. C. C. Collins, of Greensboro, N. C.; Dr. T. A. Worrall, of Northeast Indiana; A. G. Danforth, Jr., of St. Louis, Mo.; Harry P. Taber, of Buffalo, N. Y., and W. P. Newcome. The Norna reached Fayett, Azores, about March 18. At the time the Norna sailed from New York statements were published to the effect that from the point of view of an expert sailor the schooner was

Not Fitted for Her Trip

around the world. It was said that she looked more fit to sail in a regatta than to encounter an Atlantic gale. Her storm sails were reported to be few in number, and it was added that she had only a main storm trysail to bend if it blew hard.

One of the passengers on the Norna is reported to have said to a reporter on October 19, 1896: "Each of us goes to Hades our own road, and darn the expense."

Captain Morris is understood to have left the Norna before she sailed, and it is presumed that his reason for doing so was that he did not believe her to be equal to the task of fighting her way around the world.

The Vessel's Itinerary.

When the schooner sailed her itinerary was, roughly as follows: "She was to touch at Baltimore, Charleston and Jacksonville, thence to the Bermudas and Azores islands, and thence to Cadiz and Tangier, through the straits of Gibraltar to the Balearic islands, Corsica and Sardinia. The Adriatic sea was next to be visited, and the Norna was then to cruise around the coast of Greece to the Ægean sea, the Bosphorus, the Black sea, Southern Russia, Asia, Minor, Egypt and Tunis, the north coast of Africa, the Cape of Good Hope, Madagascar, the Indian ocean, the Gulf of Aden, the Arabian sea, Ceylon, Sumatra, Java, Australia, the South sea islands, China, Japan and nearly every other place on the habitable globe.

The Norna is a wooden schooner of about eighty-five tons. She is one hundred and five feet eight inches long, over all, and ninety-five feet two inches on the water line; is twenty-one feet seven inches beam, and draws eleven feet three inches of water. N. J. Weaver is registered as her owner.

M'KINLEY AT THOMASVILLE.

No Visitors of Note Yet—An Old-Fashioned Barbecue to be Given in the President's Honor.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

THOMASVILLE, GA., March 15.—The President and party passed a somewhat uneventful day. The President came South for rest and recreation. He is getting it. There have as yet been no visitors of note to him, and politics appears to have been left behind.

The President arose late this morning and spent the early hours in a walk about Senator Hanna's grounds. Later, he made one of a coaching party, through the pinewoods. Miss Ruth Hanna, who is an expert whip, held the ribbons over the team which drew the carriage, containing, besides herself, the President and Mrs. McKinley and Mrs. Hanna. In another carriage were Senator Hanna Vice President and Mrs. Hobart and their son. The party drove to and was entertained at "El Soma," the country seat of Mr. J. Wyman Jones, brother-in-law of Senator Hanna. A light rain had laid the dust and the drive was thoroughly enjoyed by the President.

The Country Club, composed of leading citizens and winter residents from the North, is preparing to give the President, an "old fashioned Georgia barbecue." It is probable that a 'possum course may be added to the menu. The prospective entertainers believe that corn-pone and 'possum would be a novelty which the President and his distinguished friends would find enjoyable.

The President has received from ex-Secretary Bliss an invitation to visit him at Jekyl island, on the Georgia coast, during his present trip. The President has not decided that he will accept the invitation, but he may do so. Jekyl island is one of the most magnificent of the Southern island resorts.

The transport Kilpatrick, released from quarantine, arrived in at Savannah with the Maine artillery, which at once went into camp.

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GEN. WHEATON'S FLYING COLUMN.

Attacked and Defeated a Large Force of Filipinos, Inflicting Heavy Loss.

THE AMERICAN LOSS SLIGHT.

The Towns of Pasig, Taguig and Pateros Occupied by Wheaton's Troops. They Will Press On Towards Aguinaldo's Headquarters.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

MANILA, March 15.—Gen. Lloyd Wheaton, commanding the United States flying column, attacked and defeated a force of 2,000 Filipinos at Pasig this afternoon, inflicting a heavy loss upon them. The American loss was slight. The Americans captured 350 Filipinos. Many bodies of rebels killed in the engagement are floating down the river.

6.55 P. M.—Private Fernoff, of Company I, Twentieth regiment, was killed; Private Newman, Company F, Twentieth regiment, wounded; Private Carroll, Company A, Twenty-second regiment, wounded; Private Marshall, Company B, Twenty-second regiment, wounded; Private Coombs, Company C, Twenty-second regiment, wounded; Private Rogers, Company I, Twenty-second regiment, wounded.

About 350 Filipinos surrendered at the town of Taguig to the Washington regiment, and 175 Filipinos were captured at Pasig by the Twentieth regiment. Other troops found 106 dead Filipinos and 100 new graves near Pasig.

The prisoners were unarmed and, therefore, it is presumed they executed their threat of throwing their arms into the river.

Enemy Completely Routed.

LONDON, March 15.—The *Evening News* this afternoon published the following dispatch from Manila:

"General Wheaton has completely routed the Filipinos and has occupied Pasig, Taguig and Pateros. Several hundreds of the enemy were killed and as many were captured."

General Otis says this is the greatest victory since February 5th. The Americans will now press toward Aguinaldo's headquarters."

Confirmed by Otis.

WASHINGTON, March 15.—The following dispatch was received this morning from Gen. Otis:

"*Manila, March 15.*—Three thousand insurgents moved down last night to the towns of Pasig and Pateros, on the shore of Laguanda bay, fronting Wheaton's troops on the Pasig river line. By heavy fighting Wheaton has dislodged and driven them back, taking 400 prisoners and inflicting heavy loss in killed and wounded. He reports his loss as very moderate. He now occupies these towns with a sufficient force to hold them. OTIS."

UNEASINESS IN HAVANA.

Police Disperse All Gatherings and the People Complain—General Gomez. Duel Declared Off.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

HAVANA, March 15.—The reported resignation of Civil Governor Mora is untrue.

A certain nervous tension and uneasy restlessness, especially during the evenings, is noticeable in the vicinity of Central Park, where the men congregate and talk politics. The police have orders not to allow groups to assemble, and are dispersing them. This causes uncomplimentary comment about the force, the people declaring that the police are interfering with their rights and freedom.

General Gomez conferred with Governor General Brooke from 10 o'clock until about noon to-day.

The Junta Patriotea dissolved last night after passing resolutions of adherence to Gomez.

Duel Declared Off.

It is said on good authority that the seconds of General Alijandre Rodriguez, chief of staff of General Gomez, and Colonel Raoul Arango, a mounted inspector of police, who was called a coward by Rodriguez on Monday for clubbing a woman while dispersing a portion of the parade in Belascoain street, arranged a duel between the two principals, to be fought with pistols to-day, but the military Assembly sent a notification to General Rodriguez and Colonel Arango last night, forbidding the duel, which was consequently declared off.

Will Not Be Recognized.

WASHINGTON, March 15.—The committee which was appointed yesterday by the Cuban military Assemby at Havana to come to Washington, it can be stated, will not be recognized in any official capacity..

TORNADO IN ALABAMA.

Churches and Other Buildings in the Town of Avondale Destroyed—Several Persons Injured.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., March 15.—The fiercest tornado ever known in this vicinity visited the town of Avondale, on the eastern outskirts of this city, at 5 o'clock this morning. It came directly from the south with rain and lightning. Passing immediately in front of the Avondale cotton mills it blew down the negro Methodist church and utterly demolished it. Three new frame houses and a second negro church a short distance away, were next destroyed.

Mrs. B. C. Foster was ill in bed and her husband was watching at her side. The house was taken from over her head and the bedstead blown a hundred feet away. Strange to say, Mrs. Foster was not hurt.

The negro school house and negro Baptist church were torn to pieces.

Mrs. Annie Johnson was buried under her house and had to be dug out. She is badly cut and bruised and is in a critical condition.

Arthur O. Hudgins, a white boy, was also buried in the wreckage of his father's house. His arm was broken and he was seriously injured. At this house the four walls were blown away and a bed containing three children left in the middle of the room. The children were not scratched. The injured boy was in an outer wing and the main building crushed this in.

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SMALLPOX IN NORTH CAROLINA.

The Disease Rapidly Assuming the Proportions of an Epidemic.

CASES IN TWENTY COUNTIES.

State Board of Health Has Appointed an Inspector to Visit Infected Districts. Vaccination Will be Ordered Unless Disease is Checked.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

RALEIGH, N. C., March 15.—Smallpox continues to spread in this State. Up to to-night its appearance has been reported in twenty counties of the State. The latest cases reported are from Guilford, Moore and Warren.

The counties in which cases have been reported to the State Board of Health are: Currituck, Pasquotank, Perquimans, Gates, Bertie, Tyrell, Edgecombe, Warren, Wayne, Alamance, Guilford, Buncombe, New Hanover, Northampton, Johnston, Wake, Columbus, Halifax, McDowell, and Moore.

So rapidly is the disease assuming the proportions of an epidemic that the State Board of Health has appointed a smallpox inspector. Dr. Henry F. Long, who successfully treated seventy-five cases in Iredell county last Summer, was selected. He will visit infected districts, compel quarantine of patients and direct their treatment. He began service this morning, going first to Warrenton. From there he will go to Burlington. The disease is worse at these points than anywhere else. It is especially bad among the mill operatives at Burlington. Compulsory vaccination in the town and county has been resorted to.

Compulsory Vaccination.

At Greensboro the authorities have given the people three days' notice to be vaccinated, and failure to comply with the ordinance will subject the offender to twenty dollars fine.

There is one case in Wilmington and it is rigidly isolated.

The town of Clinton, in Sampson county, has quarantined against Wilmington and Norfolk.

The greatest secrecy prevails in infected districts as to the extent and fatality of the disease, and this is one of the reasons that induced the Board of Health to appoint an inspector.

Unless the epidemic is speedily checked, compulsory vaccination will be ordered over the entire State.

Many Cases in Virginia.

RICHMOND, VA., March 15.—There are a good many cases of smallpox scattered throughout the eastern part of the State, but the disease is of a mild type. Deaths are rare. In a few counties it has not been deemed wise to hold the courts this month. Prisoners from communities where the disease prevails are not being brought to the penitentiary here, lest it should be introduced in the prison, and this policy has been entirely successful. The information obtainable to-night as to quarantines that have been established is meagre, but no quarantine is maintained here.

FLOODS IN GEORGIA.

Numerous Washouts on the Southern and Other Roads—Rome Hemmed in by Rising Waters.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ATLANTA, GA., March 15.—Heavy rains yesterday and last night did considerable damage to railroads in Georgia and Alabama. Numerous washouts were reported to-day on both the Southern railway and the Nashville, Chattanooga & St. Louis road. The first train to get through either way between this city and Chattanooga since last night arrived here to-night on the Southern. The Nashville, Chattanooga & St. Louis, which abandoned its train to-day, expect to get their morning St. Louis-Chicago train through to Chattanooga to-morrow morning, although serious obstacles will be encountered north of there.

Rome, Ga., is being hemmed in by fast rising waters. The two rivers there forming the Coosa, rose seven feet in four hours to-day, and it is expected the water will inundate the lower section of the city before morning.

MAKERS OF KNIT GOODS.

A Meeting Held in New York to Consider the Advisability of Forming a Combination.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 15.—More than a hundred knit goods manufacturers met in this city to-day to consider the advisability of forming a combination of interests.

Mr. Baker, a Philadelphia lawyer, is said to be the chief promoter. He explained the plans of the suggested combination to the manufacturers. It was said that the plan is to form a combination on a basis of $25,000,000 preferred stock, to pay 7 per cent. and $50,000,000 common stock. A committee was appointed to estimate the output of each plant in the country, the cost of production and the allotment of stock, under the consolidation.

This committee, will, after it makes its inspection, meet and draw up its report and call a meeting of the manufacturers before whom the report will be laid with recommendation for action. The committee was also charged with the duty of considering whether the manufacturers of ribbed knit goods as well as "flat" goods, should be included in the consolidation.

INTERNAL REVENUE STAMPS.

The Georgia Case Against the Southern Express Company.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ATLANTA, GA., March 15.—The case of the Railroad Commission of Georgia against the Southern Express Company, in the matter of alleged overcharges by the latter, in demanding that shippers furnish revenue stamps for packages, is not to end with the decision of Judge Speer, who held that, as the question was one arising out of internal revenue, the Railroad Commission of Georgia had nothing to do with it. Governor Candler, after a conference with the Attorney General, instructed that official to appeal the case to the Circuit Court of Appeals and to the Supreme Court of the United States, if necessary.

The Philadelphia Baseball Club left yesterday for Charlotte, N. C., to go into Spring training.

PENITENTIARY STEAL

Investigation Shows Indebtedness of the Institution Not Less Than $150,000.

THE LABOR COMMISSIONER.

Hamrick Refuses to Surrender Office to B. R. Lacy—Contention in the Case—A Tangle Over New School Law. Old Penitentiary Board.

[*Star Correspondence.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., March 15.

Mr. W. C. Newland, one of the executive board of the Penitentiary, tells me that the investigation now being made into the affairs of that institution will show its indebtedness to be not less than $150,000. This is $40,000 more than it had been supposed to be.

"It is hard," continued Mr. Newland, "to conceive the affairs of an institution in a bigger tangle or worse condition. It seems as if every man connected with it, from bell-boy up, has been ordering goods and supplies for it."

The investigation will be completed in a few days and the result of it be made public. It is known that in more than one case goods were ordered for individual use and charged to some department of the institution.

Baptist Female University.

Trustees of the Baptist Female University will meet here April 11th for the purpose of electing a president. The faculty will be chosen at a subsequent meeting. The school will open September 1st.

Several delegates from this city are attending the State Sunday School Convention, which met last night at Salisbury. It will continue in session until Thursday.

Though the emigration craze has not struck this place, there is considerable talk among the negroes of going to Arkansas. They say that wages are higher there and that since the passage of the Constitutional Amendment there is no inducement for them to stay here. No one has gone yet, however.

Country people report large flocks of geese seen passing northward. This, they say, is a sure sign that winter is over.

The Secretary of State incorporates the Macon Furniture Company of Louisburg, for the purpose of manufacturing and selling furniture; capital stock, $3,000.

As soon as the new school law can be printed it will be destributed. It will make seventy pages. The printers are now at work on it.

A New Railroad.

The Beaufort and Pamlico Railroad, chartered by the recent Legislature, is being rapidly built. About one mile of it is already completed. It will be twenty-eight miles long, starting at Bonner's mill, on Durham creek in Beaufort county, and running to Wilkinson's Point, on Neuse river, in Pamlico county. Though primarily for getting out timber, it will also give freight and passenger accommodations.

A Bankrupt Female.

The first woman in North Carolina to take advantage of the new bankrupt law is Mrs. Jennie Fuqua, of Durham. She owned Roanoke (Va) real estate dealers $3,000 and had no assets other than her personal apparel. The first woman in the United States to take advantage of the bankrupt law was Miss Maria Wainwright, the actress.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

Labor Commissioner Hamrick's term expired to-day, but he has refused to surrender the office. This morning B. R. Lacy, the newly elected commissioner, took the oath of office before Justice Walter Clark. He then appointed W. E Faison assistant commissioner, and together they made formal demand for the office. Hamrick refused, contending that the Legislature had no right under the constitution to elect a commissioner, or any officer, except those of the two respective bodies. This contention is based on the decision of the Supreme Court, Volume 68, in the case of the people of North Carolina ex-rel. John Nichols and others vs. Wm. H. McKee and others. In this opinion the court holds the Legislature, like other departments of the State government acts under grant of powers and cannot exceed that grant. There is no express grant of power to the legislative department to appoint to office; but there is an express prohibition. The general appointing power is given to the Governor with the concurrence of the Senate.

Lacy claims that the labor commissioner does not come under the provisions of the constitution, having only recently been created, and that the power that created the office has the right to appoint a man to fill it.

If Hamrick is sustained in his contention the appointive acts of the Legislature will be void. Hamrick's attorneys are MacRae and Day and J. C. L. Harris Lacy's lawyers are R. O. Burton and W. N. Jones.

The New SchoolLaw.

There is also a tangle over the county school boards, provided for in the new school law. This act abolished the old county school board of education, members of which had been elected for three years and have not served more than two. Contests are arising in various counties, the old boards questioning the constitutionality of the act. Superintendent Mebane advises the old boards to give up.

Lieut. Shipp's Remains.

The body of Lieutenant Shipp will pass through Raleigh over the Seaboard at 2.16 Friday morning, on the way from New York to Lincolnton. The funeral will be held at Lincolnton Friday evening at 3 o'clock.

Miss Nora Porter, daughter of the late David Porter, of Asheboro, was burned to death to-day.

Penitentiary Boards.

The old Penitentiary Board was to have met to-day but failed to have a quorum. The meeting is adjourned over till to-morrow. They say if Capt. Day wins in the Supreme Court, they will be able to borrow all the money needed, and if not the Governor will pardon out the convicts rather than they shall suffer.

Supreme Court.

Cases from the Sixth district were argued in the Supreme Court to-day as follows: Smith vs. Railroad, by Kerr, Cooper and Jones for plaintiff; Davis and Stevens for defendant. Moore vs. Railroad, by Allen and Dortch for plaintiff; Davis and Stevens for defendant. Commissioners vs. Best, Waters vs. Waters, Miller vs. Guano Co., Jenkins vs. Daniel, continued by consent. Gore vs. Davis, by John H. Gore, Jr., for plaintiff; Meares for defendant. McMillan vs. Railroad, *certiorari* for defendant. State vs. Taylor, argued by the Attorney General for the State. Slingluff vs. Hall, submitted on brief, by Stevens for plaintiff; A. D. Ward for defendant; ten days allowed plaintiff to file brief.

WARM WIRELETS.

The transport Sedgwick, formerly the Chester, arrived at Newport News from Santiago, having on board the Eighth Illinois regiment of colored infantry.

The Madrid cabinet council decided that the treaty of peace with the United States should be ratified immediately after the dissolution of the Cortes, which will probably be decreed to-day.

Governor Roosevelt, of New York, has refused to commute the sentence of Mrs. Martha Place, the Brooklyn murderess, and she will be electrocuted some day during next week at Sing Sing.

General Walker, one the principals in the Virginia shooting affray, had a comfortable day and physicians report him out of danger. Hamilton was slightly delerious, but his wound is doing nicely. No arrests have yet been made.

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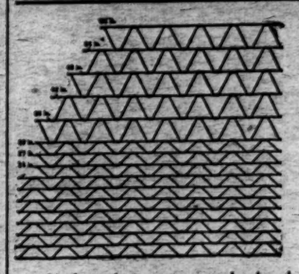

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